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PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE LEGISLATURE.

**The Bill Making 11 Hours a Day's Labor in
the Cotton and Woolen Mills Failed
to Pass—News of the State.**

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 17.—Special.—Another turn has been taken in the public printing matter. A joint caucus was held last night, which did not adjourn until after midnight, and instead of letting printing out to job printers at a retail cost, as recommended by the committee, Josephus Daniels was again elected public printer at 15 per cent. less than the price heretofore paid him. This will save several thousand dollars a year, but will not cut off all the bonus. A resolution was adopted in the Legislature to-day that that body adjourn sine die Saturday, March 1st, and that no bills shall be introduced except by unanimous consent after February 24th.

The Senate to-day introduced the bill to create the new town of Elkin the special order for next Tuesday night, and it is probable that night sessions will be held from now out. In the House there was a three hours discussion of the bill to create a new town at a mill's site in cotton and woolen mills. Messrs. Allen, Long (Alamance), Harris and Cook spoke in support, and Messrs. Kitchen, Crouse and Robertson in opposition to the bill. It was amended to apply only to Mecklenburg County, and its passage was a foregone conclusion. The third reading Mecklenburg was stricken out, but the bill failed to pass—aye, 36; noes, 53.

FIRE IN ASHEVILLE.

United States Deputy Marshal Brockus Badly Wounded.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 17.—Special.—Early yesterday morning the residence of F. N. Harrison on Park avenue was

consumed by fire. Mr. Carrington was asleep in the house at the time the fire broke out. He was not injured, but was bleached, and had his hair and beard fully covered by insurance. The fire companies did good service.

News has reached here of another bloody encounter in Mason county, in the person of John L. Wellens, a colored man. B. Brookes was in it. It is feared, fatally wounded. He had a warrant for John Wellens, who lives just across the line in Brookesville, for the violation of the former slave laws, and went to arrest him. Wellens, who is a desperate character, and his father, recently arrested and a free agent enaured, Brookes, who is a free man, was killed. It is feared, will die. He is a young man of excellent character. Both the Wellenss were wounded, but not seriously. The younger Wellens has often been in trouble of this kind before.

Dr. Thomas Hume, of the University is to lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association to-night.

The citizens' mass-meeting, which met in the evening of last night, recommended that \$25,000 of the street improvement fund be devoted to an extension and improvement of the water works system, and a committee was appointed to embody this recommendation, for this purpose and to send it to our representatives in the Legislature.

The Winston-Salem Hotel.
WINSTON-SALEM, Feb. 12.—Special.—The Winston-Salem will in the near future have a first-class hotel. Arrangements have about been consummated for building a handsome three-story structure, occupying four lots belonging to D. S. Reid, Miss Mollie Watkins, Dr. C. A. Watkins and Mrs. L. K. Stanton. The old Mrs. Watkins, who is now owned by two-story business houses. The hotel will be constructed so as to give frontage on the second and third floors, and on the ground floor, with an electric elevator for reaching the hotel proper on the second and third floors. The building will contain about 100 rooms, and will be equipped throughout with all the modern appliances necessary for a hotel, first-class in every particular. The work will probably be commenced in the near future, and will be completed by September. One of the

most successful and popular hotel men in the South will take charge. There has been an unusually heavy rain here this afternoon.

News From Oxford.

OXFORD, N. C., Feb. 17.—Special.—The tobacco market is very lively, and a great deal of tobacco is being sold here at high prices.

We learn that there is a movement in contemplation for the establishment of a cotton factory in Oxford.

The Glen Clinic, from the University of North Carolina will give one of their entertainments here to-night, the proceeds of which will go to the Presbyterian church of Oxford.

An entertainment in the way of a concert and recitations, has been given at the Opera-House here by a talented corps of ladies of the town, and was a brilliant success.

RANGE OF THERMOMETER.
Range of the thermometer at The Times office yesterday, February 17th:

WEATHER FORECAST.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—For Virginia: Snow to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For North Carolina: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For South Carolina: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For Florida: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Gulf States: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the West Coast: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Pacific Coast: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Rocky Mountains: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Great Plains: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Northern States: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Southern States: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Far West: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Far East: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Arctic Regions: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
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For the Tropics: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Equator: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.
For the Poles: Rain to-night, clearing during the morning, a slight rise in temperature and light easterly breeze; tomorrow, winds shifting to westerly.

ral throughout the Northern States except of the Mississippi, rain south of the Ohio Valley and Tennessee. In the South the weather is generally clearing and becoming clearer in the Gulf States and western of the Mississippi. The barometer remains highest over the Ohio Valley and the Atlantic Coast and is lowest over the Southern States east of the Mississippi, the temperature having fallen 10 to 20 degrees over the Middle Atlantic States, warmer north of the lake regions and to the west of the Mississippi, except in Ohio Valley. The weather is indicated for the Central States as clearing in the upper Ohio Valley. Snows are indicated to New England and the lower lake region and snow, followed by rain, in the Middle Atlantic States. Dangerous easterly gales are indicated for New England and the Middle Atlantic States, followed by rain, and to westerly snows from New York and to south in New England.